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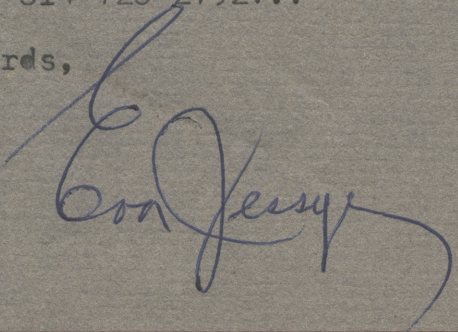
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August 18, 1977

Shipping by Greyhound today five boxes of books, records...as the first lot in the Eva Jessye Collection. Perhaps you would like to designate the donation as "THE EVA JESSYE SHELVES" until such time as the aggregate justifies the more dignified term.

I am leaving today for St Louis for a two week stay in order to witness performance of the Houston production of 'Porgy & Bess' and to secure material for its portion of my book, 'FILL UP THE SAUCER', history of the opera which I have sworn to complete this fall. My address in St. Louis is 7482 Drexel Drive, % Fuller. Phone : 314-725-2792...

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Eva Jessye", with a long, sweeping flourish extending from the end of the name.